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# Remedial Site Characterization using MIP and high resolution soil sampling

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# Ejlskov A/S



- Founded in 1999 by Palle Ejlskov
- Based in Aarhus (Jutland – Denmark)
- Main business activities focused on high detailed site characterization and injection based in-situ remediation
- Currently 23 employees (Geologists, Engineers, Software developer, Field Technicians)
- Ejlskov is specialized in:
  - Soil and groundwater investigations
  - Contamination Risk evaluation towards groundwater, indoor climate and physical contact
  - Insitu Site Remediation (Trap & Treat® and other technologies)
  - Turn Key solutions to soil and groundwater contamination problems
  - Environmental risk towards groundwater, indoor climate and physical contact
  - Consulting services to local developers and authorities
  - Environmental Due Diligence and EHS Audits



# Presentation Layout / Agenda

## PART ONE

- Geoprobe System
  - Introduction to the method
  - Direct Sensing
  - Membrane Interface Probing (MIP)
  - Soil Coring – Dual Tube
  - Well installation/Groundwater sampling
- Remedial Site Characterization
  - Preliminary planning
  - Delineation using MIP
  - High resolution soil sampling
- 2D/3D modelling
  - 2D modeling as planning tool (Dynamic modelling)
  - Data evaluation and 3D Modeling (Final model)



## PART TWO

- Case Studies
  1. Active Retail Station, Kvistgaard (Denmark)
  2. Active Retail Station, Copenhagen (Denmark)
  3. Dry Cleaning Facility (Finland)
- Conclusions and Lessons Learned
- In situ Site Remediation -Trap & Treat® concept
  - BOS100®/CAT100 ® for chlorinated solvents,
  - BOS200® for Hydrocarbons, BTEX and MTBE,
  - Injection method/Installation,
  - Economical perspectives and benefits?



## Geoprobe System

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- Introduction to the Geoprobe system
- Ejlskov Rigs
- Direct Sensing (MIP, EC)
- Soil Coring (Soil sampling)
- Well installation (Ground water sampling)



# Geoprobe System



## Key Features:

- Based on Direct Push Technology
  - Steel rods (1,25" – 3,25")
  - Auger drillings if requested (Solid-/Hollow Stem Augers)
- Penetration depth in non-consolidated sediments – 25-35 m.
  - Cannot penetrate consolidated rock types, Bedrock, Limestone etc.
- Mobile and flexible rigs
  - Various sizes: 0,5-4,5 tons
  - Caterpillar Tracks
  - Various tools (Direct Sensing, Well installation, Level specific Soil- and groundwater sampling, slug test)



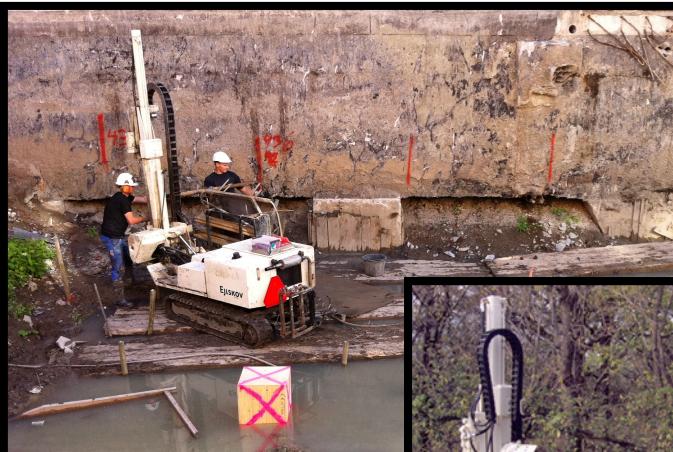
# Ejlskov Geoprobe Rigs



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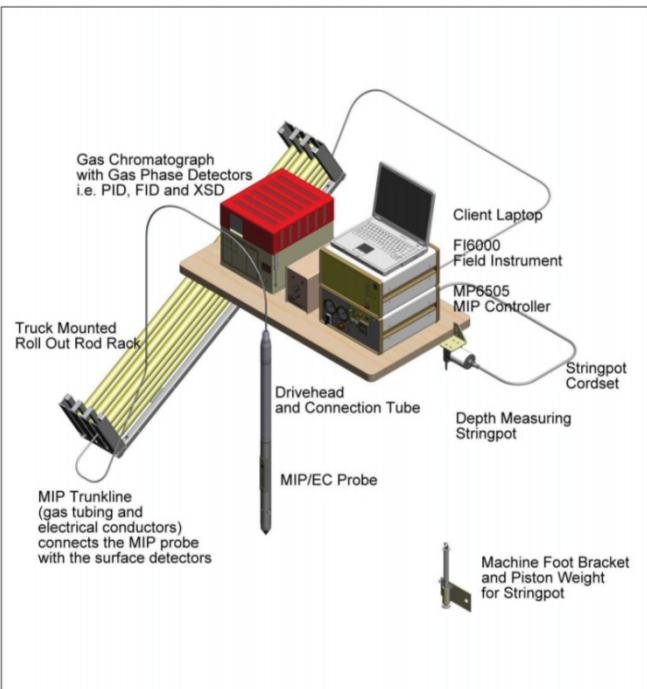
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# Membrane Interface Probing (MIP) – System set-up



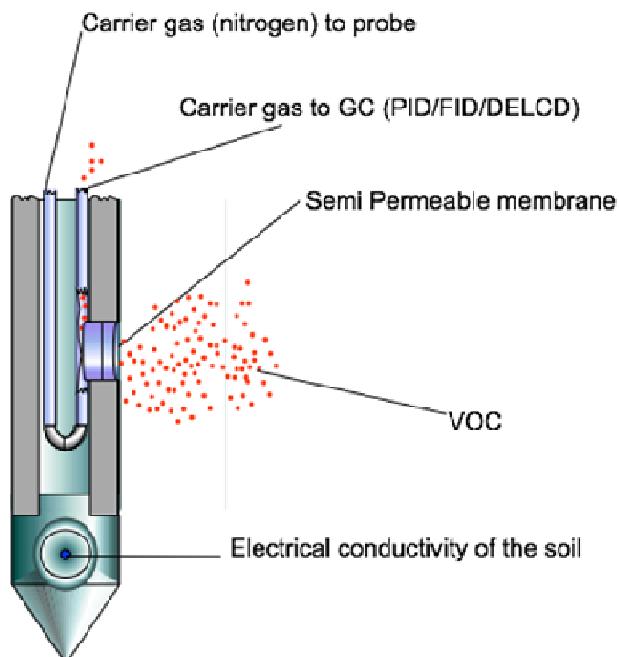
The MIP has been used extensively for mapping the extent of VOC contamination in the subsurface (vertical and horizontal).

The Membrane Interface Probe (MIP) is a screening tool with semi-quantitative capabilities. As a logging tool, the MIP offers many benefits to site investigators:

- Useful for detecting and logging both chlorinated and non-chlorinated VOC contaminants.
- Works in both saturated and unsaturated soils.
- Standard tool configurations combine the MIP with a dipole for lithology logging (Electrical Conductivity).
- Real time contaminant screening information is generated, allowing field adjustment of the site investigation. (Dynamic investigation approach)
- Relative contaminant concentration levels (signal output in  $\mu\text{V}$ )



## Membrane Interface Probing (MIP) - Probe



- The MIP membrane is semi-permeable and is comprised of a thin film polymer impregnated into a stainless steel screen for support.
- The membrane is approximately 6.35mm in diameter. The membrane is placed in a heated block attached to the probe.
- This block is heated to approximately 90-120 °C as the probe is advanced into the soil. - Heating the Probe accelerates membrane diffusion while at the same time minimizing membrane absorption.
- Diffusion across the membrane is driven by the concentration gradient between the contaminated soil and the clean carrier gas behind the membrane.
- A constant gas flow of 35-45 mL/min sweeps behind the membrane and carries the contaminants to the gas phase detectors at the surface (FID,PID and XSD).
- Travel time from the membrane interface to the detector(s) is approx. 30-45sec (depending on the length of trunkline and flow rate).



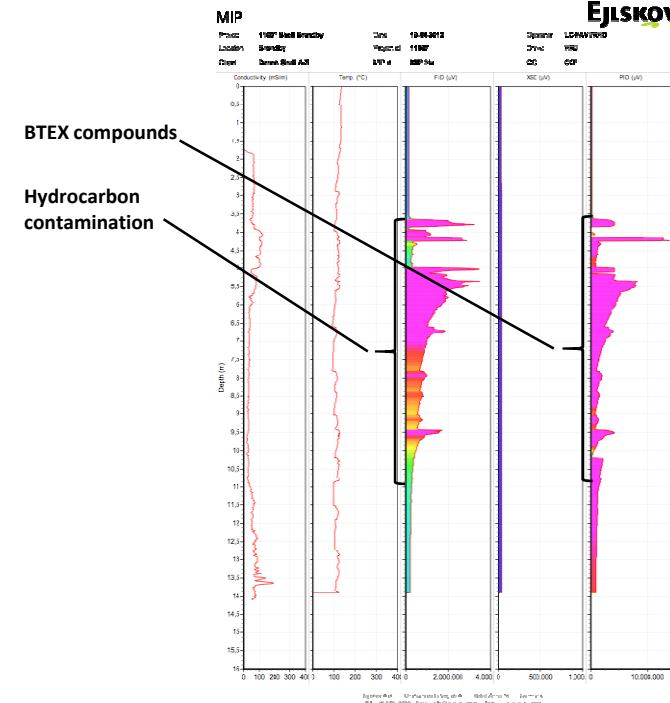
# Membrane Interface Probing (MIP) - Detectors



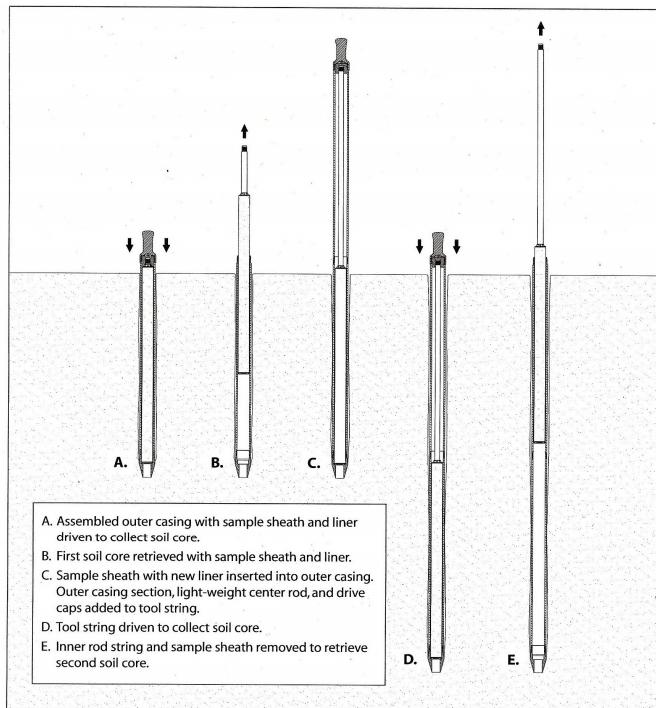
- **PID (Photo Ionization Detector)**  
Aromatic compounds like BTEX and PCE, TCE, DCE, VC.....
- **FID (Flame Ionization Detector)**  
Alkanes inkl. Methane
- **XSD (Halogen Specific Detector)**  
Halogenated compounds - Cl<sup>-</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup>, Fl<sup>-</sup>
- The MIP system is checked before each MIP according to the Geoprobe Standard Procedure.
- **Detection Limits**

Detector	Detection Limit*
PID	0,2-2 ppm
FID	1-20 ppm
XSD	0,1-2 ppm

\* <http://geoprobe.com/mip-specifications>



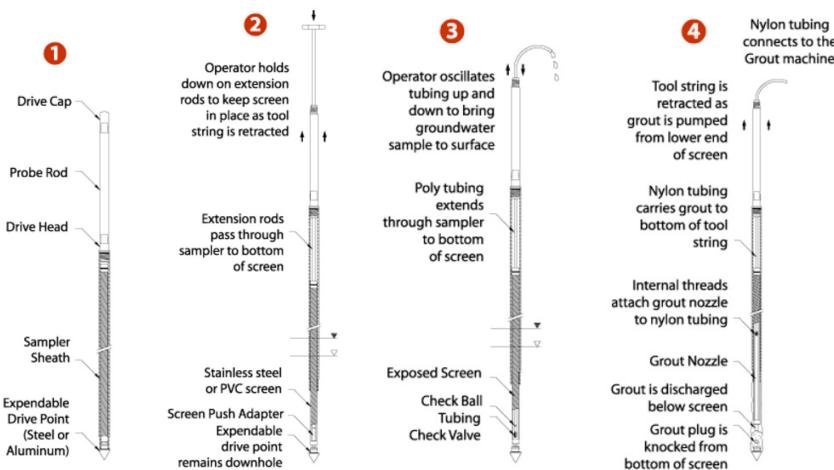
# Soil Coring – Geoprobe Dual Tube



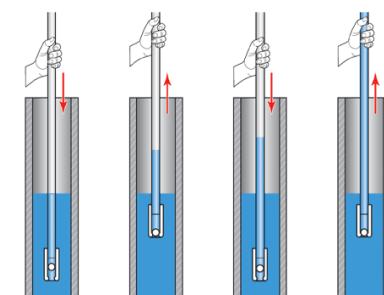
- The Dual Tube method for continuous soil coring,
- Sampling of all unconsolidated soil types,
- Soil Core deliveres in transparent PVC Liners (1,2 m length),
- Core Diameter: DT21 – 38 mm dia. / DT32 – 47 mm dia.
- Soil sampling from discrete sampling depth



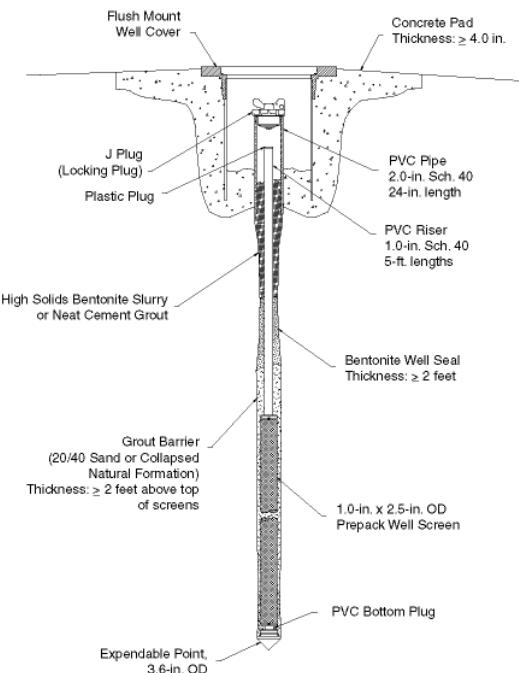
## Well Installation – Geoprobe SP16



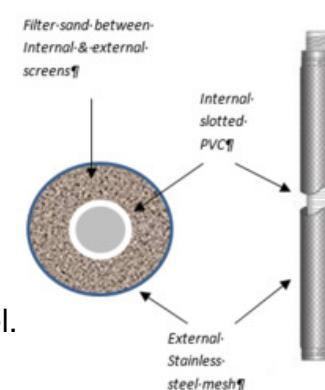
- Geoprobe Screen Point Sampler (SP16),
- Stainless steel screens (25 mm OD) – 1 meter screen length,
- Temporary well installation for discrete groundwater sampling,
- Sampling with Peristaltic pump or Inertia Pump



# Well Installation – Permanent Monitoring Well



- Geoprobe Prepacked PVC screens (12.5 – 50 mm OD) (or regular standard PEHD screens <63 mm OD),
- Direct Push Installation – No handling of contaminated soil traditional auger methods,
- Prepacked screen length: 0.9-1.5 meter  
Standard PEHD screen length: 0.5-2 meters  
(Screens can be connected for extended screen interval),
- Prepacked screens ensures optimal installation of filter pack,
- Sampling with Peristaltic pump or Submersible pumps depending on internal well diameter and groundwater level.



## Remedial Design Characterization

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- Preliminary planning
- Site investigation/delineation using MIP and 2D-modelling
- High resolution soil sampling
- Monitoring Well installation and groundwater water sampling



# Remedial Design Characterization (RDC)

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Initial Site Evaluation based on available data:

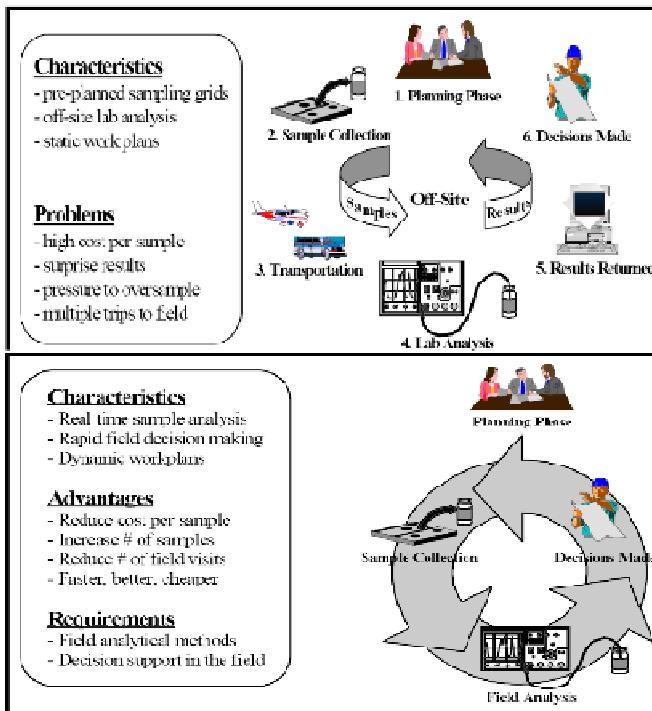
- Review of Existing Soil and Groundwater Data
- Well and Borehole Logs
- Saturated and Unsaturated Soil Data
- Groundwater Data – Vertical Profile
- Potentiometric Data
- Previous/On-going Remedial Efforts?
- Physical Site Constraints – Tank Pits, Utilities...etc.,
- Critical Receptors (Groundwater Abstraction Wells, Streams etc.)
- Develop a preliminary Site Model



# Dynamic Site Characterisation



Traditional



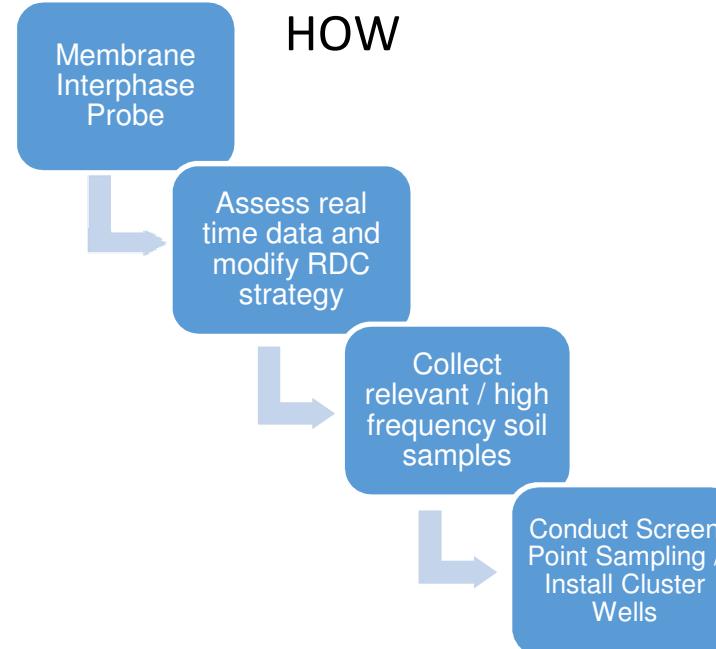
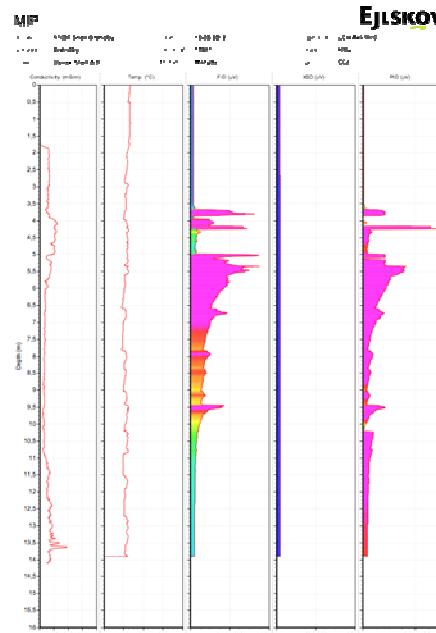
Dynamic

Dynamic field investigation  
with high resolution =>

Less cost per data point



# Site Investigation



# Strategy

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- Delineate and describe the contamination qualitatively with MIP
- Adapt the strategy continuously depending on real time results
- Collect relevant samples (soil gas, soil or groundwater) for the mass model
- Perform the appropriate field tests (slugtest, field analyzes)
- Go home with all data needed for further decisions

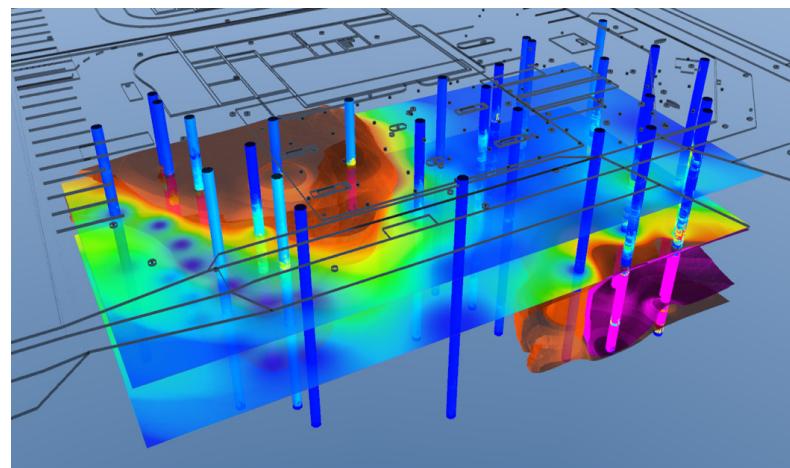
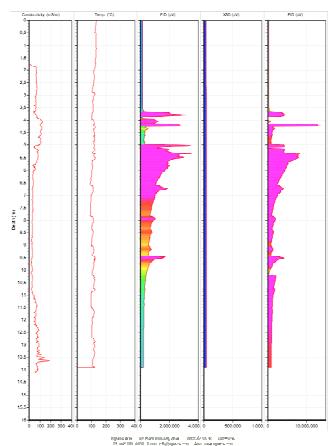


# Remedial Design Characterisation

## Membran Interface Probe - MIP

### High Resolution sampling

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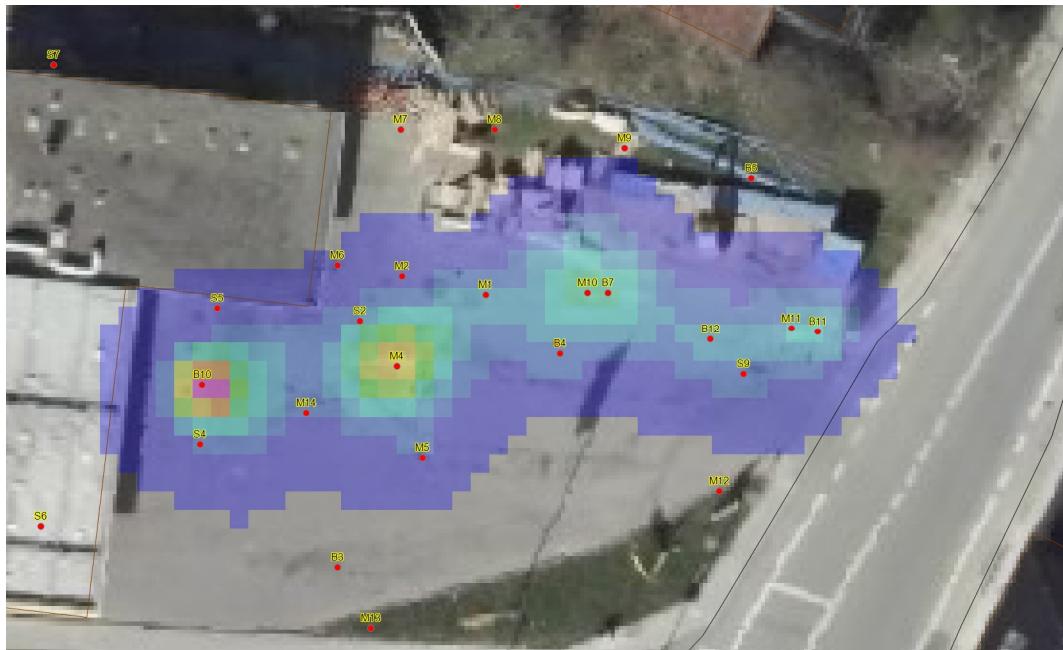
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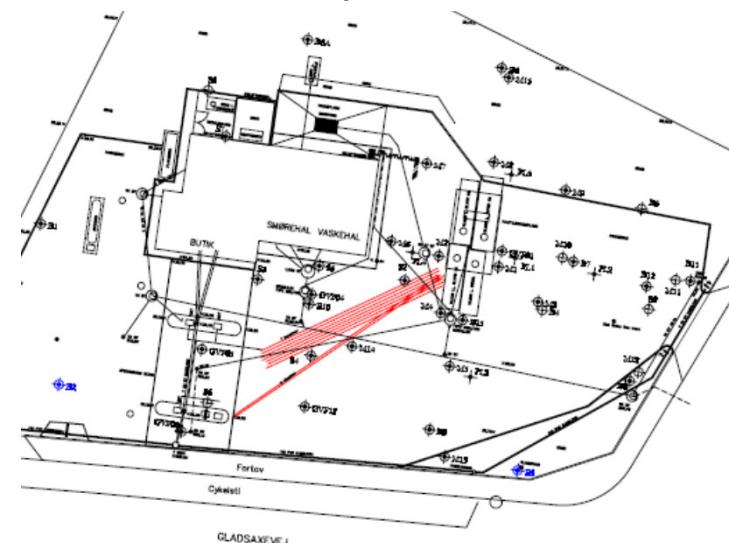


Ongoing 2D/3D Modeling and data evaluation

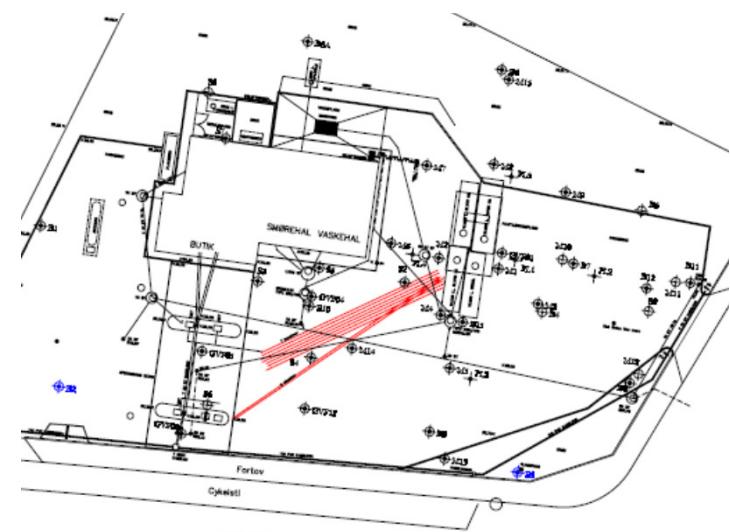
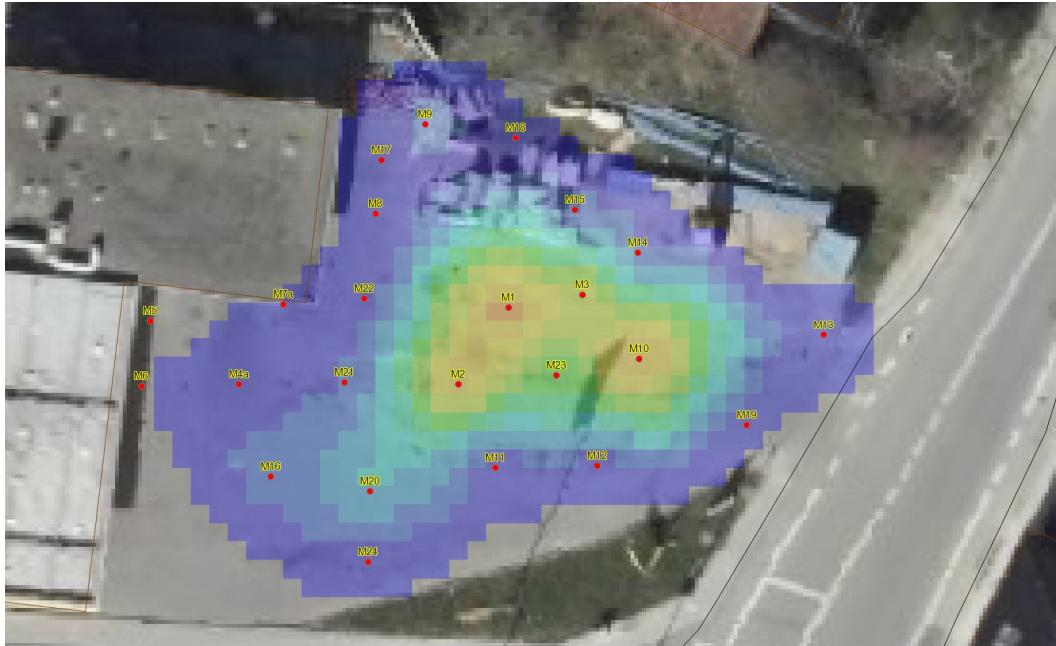




## Site Example - Modelling of available data prior RDC

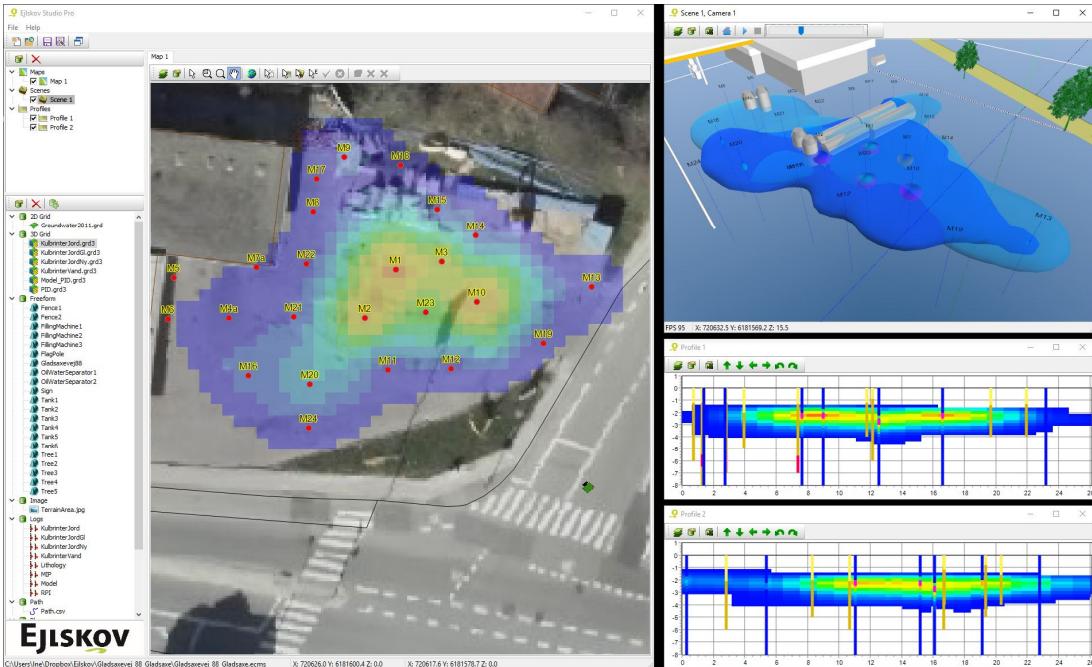


## Modelling of new data from RDC





Final Model  
including 3D  
illustration and cross  
sc Modelling of  
available data prior  
RDC



RDC

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## 2D/3D Modeling and data evaluation, Case Study, Kvistgaard, DK



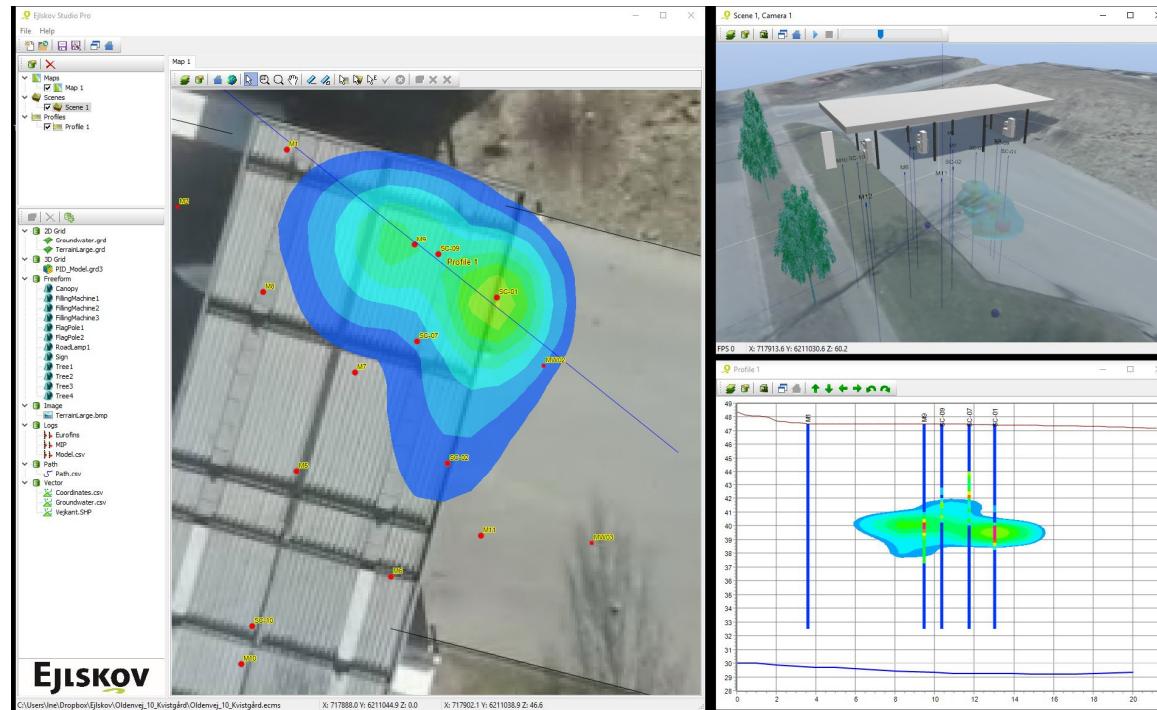
# Ejlskov Studio Pro

## 3D Mass distribution and Remedial Design Model



Getting the contaminant mass distribution right.

- Remedial Design Characterisation (RDC)
  - For design of remediation
  - Focused on “hot” areas
    - Source Zone
    - Plume Zone
- Development of 3D contamination mass model
- Decide on the goal
  - Risk removal (still in the books)
  - Liability removal (out of the books)
  - To evaluate remedial methods

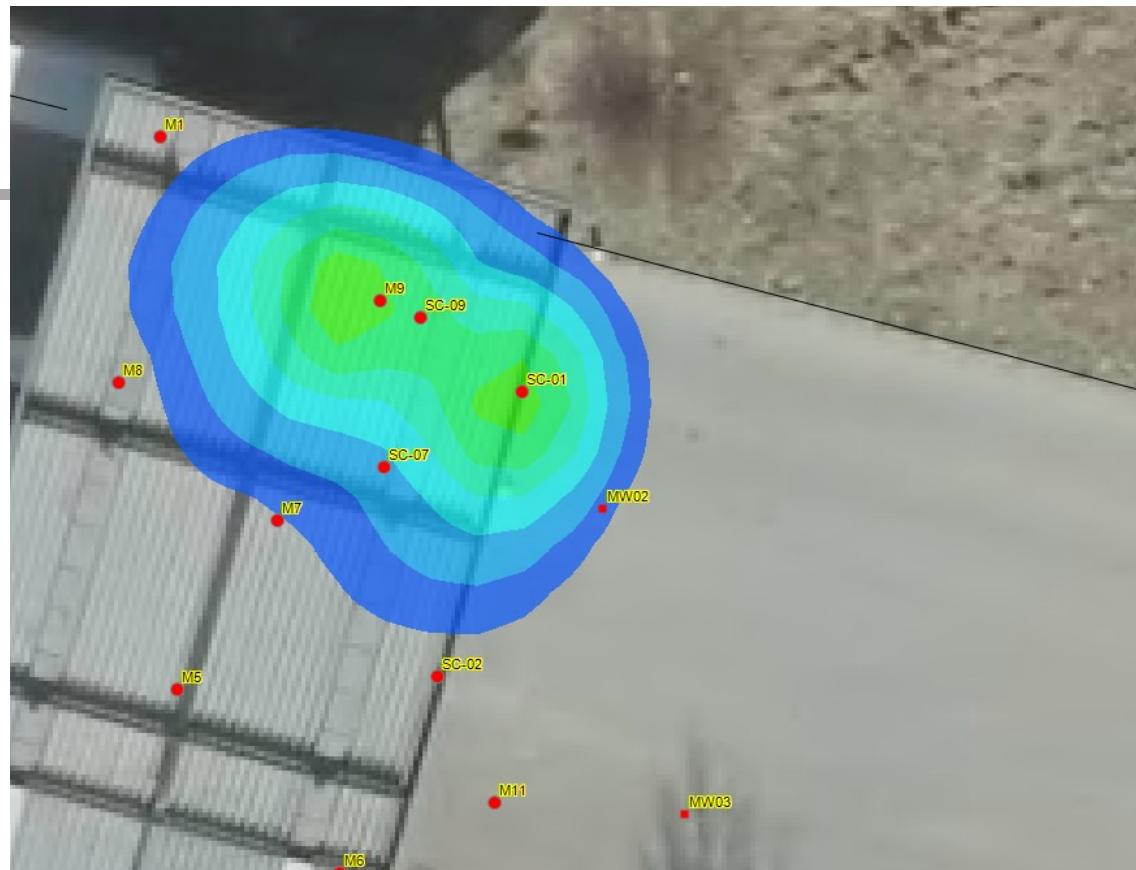




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profile



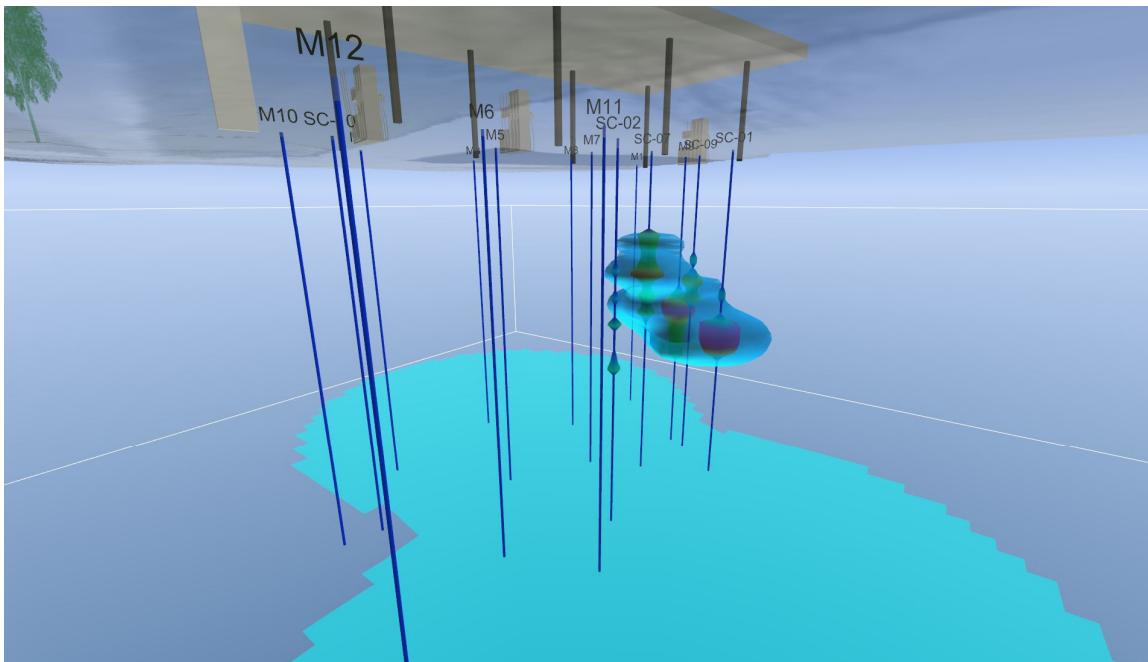


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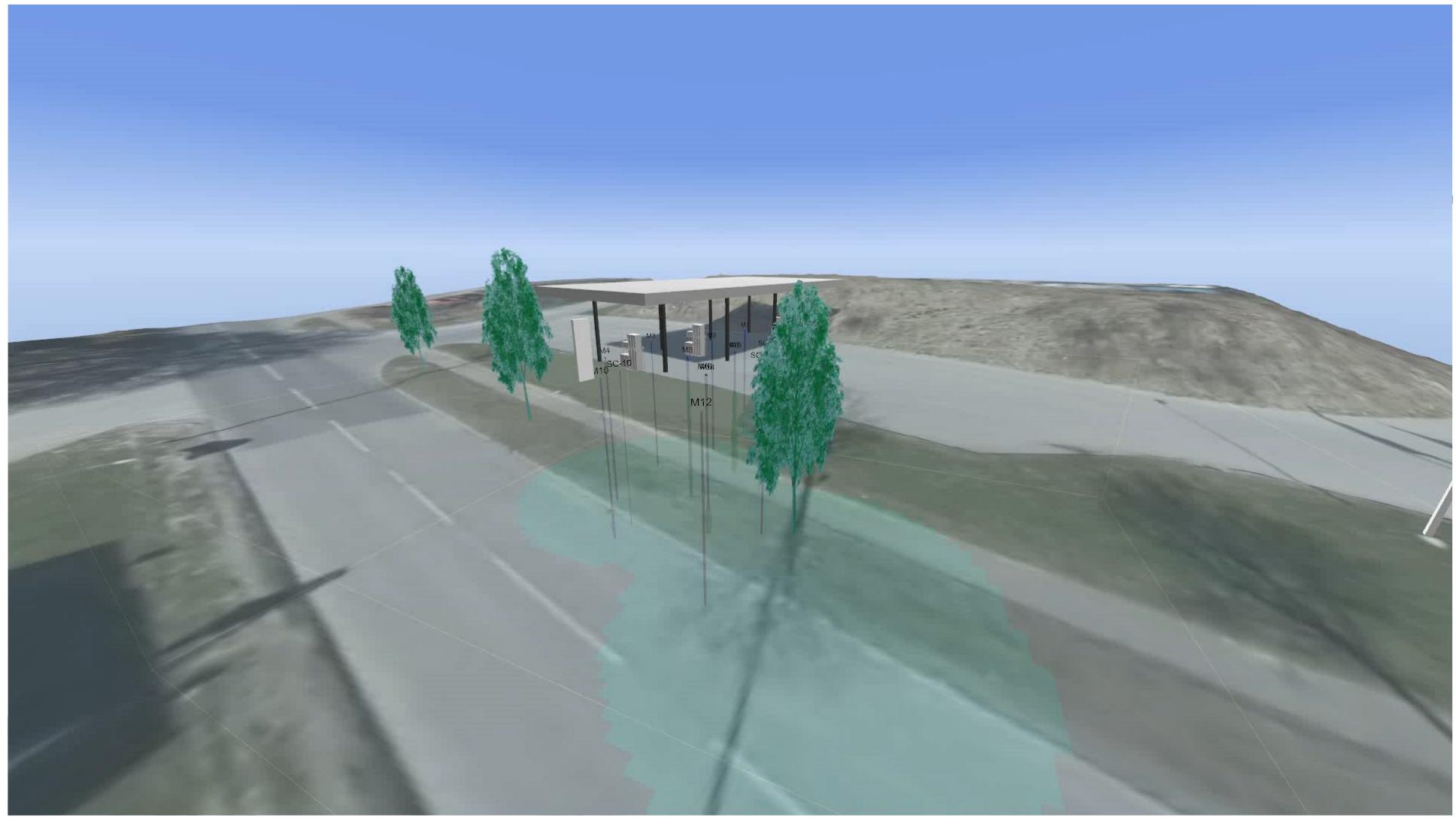


## MIP 3D Model View

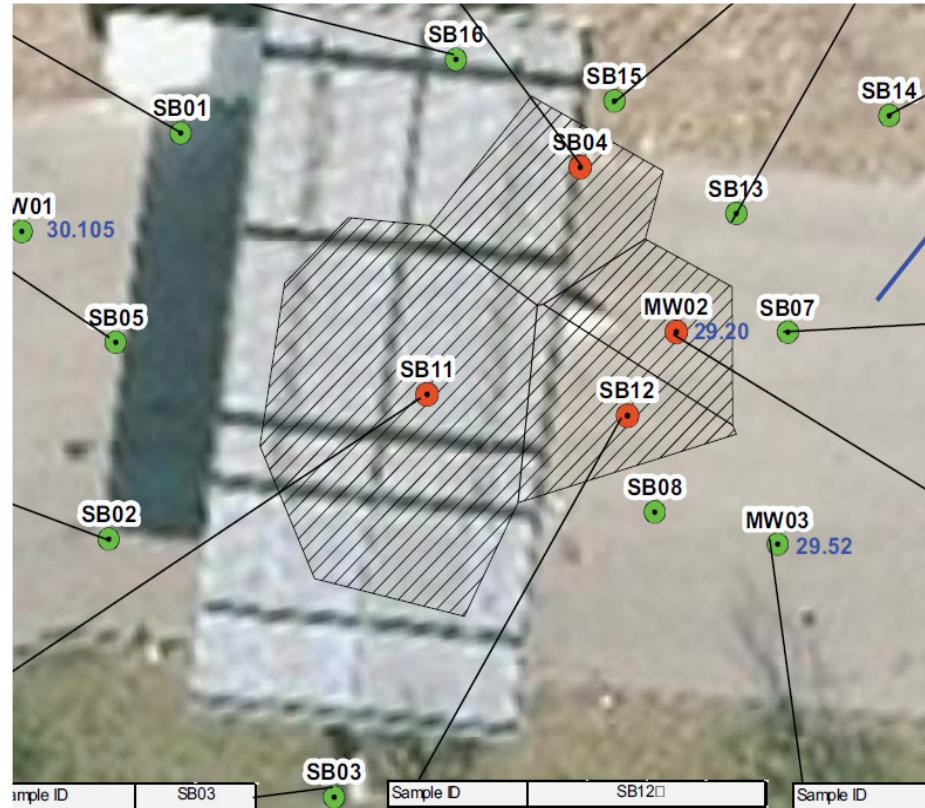


**MIP 3D VIEW**  
Hydrocarbon MIP Probe  
Delineation and  
confirmatory soil sampling

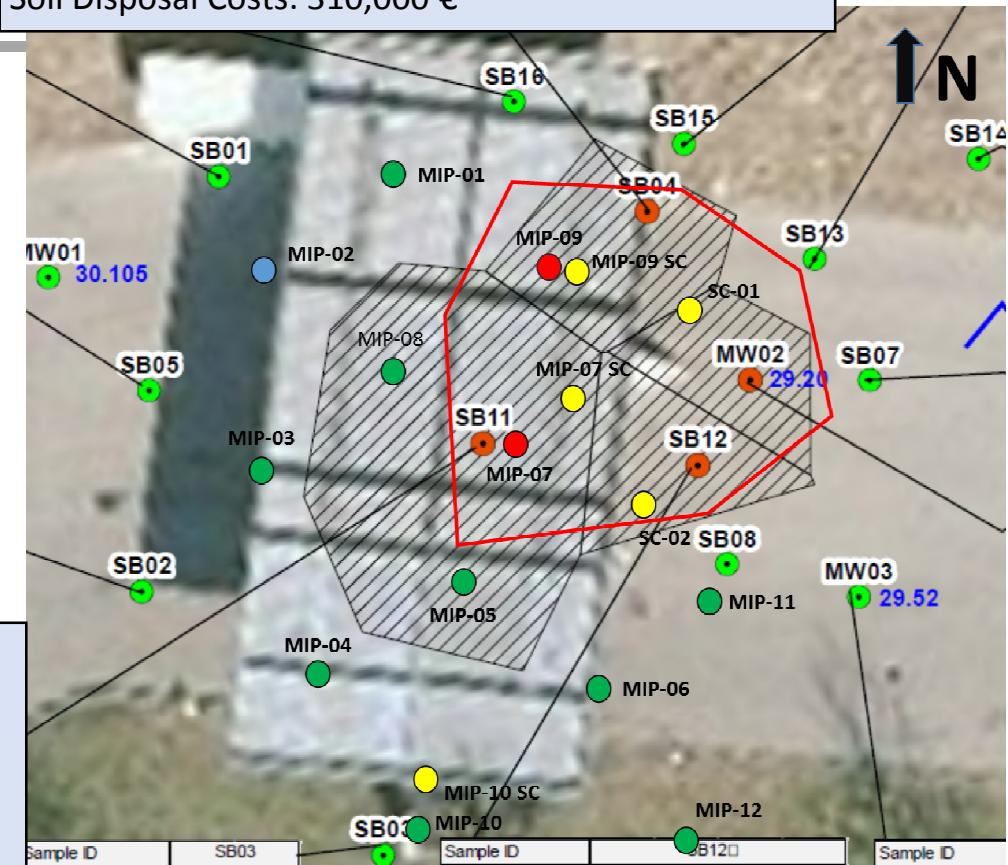








**PRE RDC**  
Areal extent: ~ 200 sqm  
Contamination Depths: 8 m bgl to 9 m bgl  
Estimated Soil Contaminant Volume:~ 1,700 m<sup>3</sup>  
Soil Disposal Costs: 310,000 €



**POST RDC**  
Areal extent: ~ 120 sqm  
Contamination Depths: 7 m bgl to 9 m bgl  
Estimated Soil Contaminant Volume:~ 950 m<sup>3</sup>  
Soil Disposal Costs: 175,000 €



Coffee Break

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Thanks!

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